

I'm part of a community radio station in Portsmouth, New Hampshire. I was at the NAB Radio show in San Diego, and I would just like to tell you how disgusted I was with the NAB. In response to Commissioner Adelstein's speech about localism, the NAB delegates scoffed and shrieked at the possibility of actually serving the public. All of the workshops were about marketing and expansion, none about community, the public, local content, or democratizing the airwaves. I think the NAB is contributing to the current death of good, local, creative, important radio. Radio is medium for the public, for music, news, art, expression. The NAB, along with ClearChannel and the like, have turned it into a medium for sales. Have they forgotten that airwaves are public? Please, FCC, allow more LPFM licenses around the country immediately. Regulate these corporations more, serve the public more, listen to our comments.

Also, the raid on Free Radio Santa Cruz is a tragedy for democracy and free speech.